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"IT'S ALL ABOUT LEARNING

AND HAVING HIGH EXPECTATIONS
OF OURSELVES AND EACH OTHER"

Dear members of the St Columba's
Community

"It's all about learning and having high expectations of ourselves and each other".

Welcome back to another exciting term of learning!

A time to reflect and enjoy

Saint John reminds us in Chapter 14, our God lives in each one of us and as such is so much part of our lives, that every breath that we take, he breathes with us. We are never alone.

This belief, if we allow it, will transform our lives and we will see the face of God in every person we meet. This is what every Christian is called to believe. Our God is not removed from our lives, he is our life.

So how can we continue to ignore others; tease others; swear at others; hurt others and then call ourselves Christians? Saint Teresa of Avila reminds us in her prayer that Christ has no body now but mine, no feet, no hands, no mouth, no eyes but mine.

Are you Christ to others?

"Who is at the Door?"

Each week as we sing the line from our national anthem "*For those who've come across the seas*" I find myself pondering the plight of those refugees who risk their very lives to escape unimaginable horrors. I ponder the nightly images of children and adults jammed into camps, like the sheep and cattle we send overseas on boats to the other side of the world and the waves of humanity



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desperately seeking a safe haven. I ponder the labels we so readily apply from the comfort of our lounge room; *illegal* immigrant, *economic* refugee, boat people, etc. And **I ask, have I as an individual, have we as a community and a nation, forgotten how to answer the door?**

The Higher School Certificate

Our Year 12's began their HSC on Thursday the 17th of October. I know that you join with me in praying for their success and a fuller understanding of what God is calling each of them to do with their lives.

2020 Enrolments

Parents and Guardians, if you are aware of any family who has still not accepted enrolment for their son/daughter for Year 7-12, 2020. Please encourage them to contact the College Office for an enrolment package.

May God bless you always,

**Mr Paul Ryan
Principal.**



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STUDENT NEWS

Over the holidays, Grace represented Australia at the Oceania Artistic Roller Skating Championships 2019 in VIC. She competed in Junior International Solo dance which was a very competitive field. Grace came 3rd in both her Style dance and Free dance. Overall she's obtained a Bronze medal ! She is very happy about her achievements



Ms Lisa Nyburg
Leader Of Learning PDHPE



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Congratulations to Thomas Daw for placing 2nd in Javelin in the U12's for NSW All Schools Athletics Championships and 5th in Discus.



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Congratulations to Brenna Tarrant in Year 12 who was selected in the Women's AFL Melbourne Demons team. We wish you luck on your new adventure and are very proud of you for achieving your goals and working towards your dreams.



On Wednesday 23rd October, two time Olympic Athlete Aidan Roach who plays for the Australian Water Polo team, came out to talk to Year 9 about balancing commitments, setting goals and his journey to the Olympics twice. Students and staff thoroughly enjoyed Aidan's visit and wish him luck in the lead up to the Tokyo Olympics 2020.



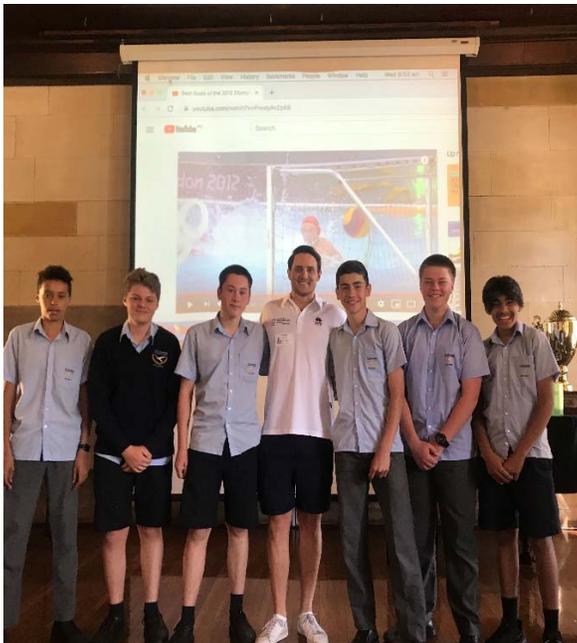
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LIBRARY NEWS

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Student eBook Of The Week



Secondary Schools

Oct 23 2019



<http://bit.ly/33SmQPj>

Miles Morales is just your average teenager. Dinner every Sunday with his parents, chilling out playing old-school video games with his best friend, Ganke, crushing on brainy, beautiful poet Alicia. He's even got a scholarship spot at the prestigious Brooklyn Visions Academy. Oh yeah, and he's Spider Man.

But lately, Miles's spidey-sense has been on the fritz. When a misunderstanding leads to his suspension from school, Miles begins to question his abilities.

Years 7 - 8





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CAREERS

COURSE & INSTITUTION INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS & PARENTS

Save the date: Sydney Flight College Open Day 2019 Sydney Flight College invites you, your students and their parents to save the date for the 2019 SFC Open Day. This year it will be held on Saturday 16th November from 09:00-16:00. Full details and a link to register will be provided in next month's CAA Newsletter. In the meantime if you have any questions contact Matthew Piers at matthewp@sfcaero.com.au.

Macleay College Launches Early Offers Program! Are students concerned about their ATAR? They shouldn't be. Macleay College also offers diploma programs, which require no ATAR, and allow them to progress into a bachelor's degree and still graduate within 2 years! Learn more here - <https://www.macleay.edu.au/early-offers>

Free "ACE the HSC" Seminars at UTS & Macquarie University in November Start your HSC year on the right foot. Designed for both students and parents, our FREE ACE the HSC sessions prepare you for success at the start of your HSC (or preliminary) year. You can hear from our experts on effective study strategies, assessment techniques, stress management & more to help you excel over the next twelve months. Registration is essential: <https://inspired.edu.au/ace-the-hsc>

Your Students are Supported Every Step of the Way with TAFE NSW One of our unique selling points at TAFE NSW is the support we provide to our students. Specifically, our Counselling and Career Development Services provides students with free and confidential career development and personal support. Our support doesn't end once they enrol, it's just the beginning. <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/counselling-career-development-services>

COURSE CHANGES, UPDATES AND NEW COURSES/PROVIDERS

Study Western Civilisation at UQ with one of 30 \$30k p.a. scholarships High achieving students interested in the humanities will soon be able to undertake two new programs of study and have the opportunity to apply for one of Australia's most generous scholarship schemes, thanks to a new partnership between The University of Queensland and the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation. Thirty scholarships of approximately \$30,000 per year for the duration of the program are planned to be offered to students commencing studies in Western Civilisation in 2020. Students will be able to study Western Civilisation in two ways - as an extended major in the Bachelor of Advanced Humanities (Honours) or in the new Bachelor of Humanities/Bachelor of Laws (Honours) dual program. If you are interested in learning more about the scholarships or the programs please contact the UQ School Liaison team on (07) 3346 9649 or school.liaison@uq.edu.au.

ICMS Opens New Campus in the City ICMS has recently opened a new campus in the heart of Sydney's business district, right near Central Station. As well as the campus in Manly, students enrolling for February 2020 will now have an option to attend specified



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business subjects in the city, subject to availability.

TAFE NSW Sydney Wine Academy Offers the Very Best in Wine Education and Training Embrace the on-trend world of boutique wines and beers with our team of top shelf respected industry experts. It's a winning blend when they draw on their skills and knowledge from years in the industry, both here and internationally. Take your tasting skills and wine knowledge to the next level. <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/sydney-wine-academy>

Charles Sturt University - Diploma of General Studies Redesigned Charles Sturt University's Diploma of General Studies has been redesigned for 2020/30 entry. The preparation course will provide preparation for university study, as well as give a diploma qualification. Students can also receive guaranteed entry in to some Charles Sturt degree courses. Offered on all campuses, excluding Orange. Find out more <https://study.csu.edu.au>

COURSES, WORKSHOPS AND INFORMATION SESSIONS FOR STUDENTS

Camp America Information Sessions Camp America run monthly information sessions for the upcoming season. Work at a summer camp in the USA and gain invaluable experience and skills in leadership, responsibility and confidence to name a few. View all our upcoming events at www.campamerica.com.au/get-started/events Questions? Email - info@campamerica.com.au

Financial Literacy Program Real World Education Group is an education provider that specialises in financial literacy courses for young Australians. In our courses, students learn how to budget, basic investing principles, tax, super and much more. Help the next generation get a head start in life and learn these essential life skills that aren't taught in schools! For more info, please email us at info@rweg.com.au.

UNSW Women in Engineering Camp - Applications now open! Students can now apply for WIE Camp, running 12-15 January, 2020. WIE Camp is a four-day residential experience at UNSW for female year 11 or 12 students to learn more about engineering and participate in hands-on workshops, industry site visits, career panels, and a networking function with professional engineers. For more info and to apply: unsw.to/wiefs or contact wiec@unsw.edu.au

Public White Card Courses Missed out on White Card training at your High School? Don't worry! All High School students can attend our public White Card courses for the same fee. Coastal OHS Services delivers public White Card courses in Newcastle, Maitland Singleton, Wyong, Gosford, Parramatta, Penrith, Sutherland and Wollongong. Visit <https://coastalohs.com/shop/white-card-training/> or call 43823055 or info@coastalohs.com

Media For Millennials Media For Millennials is a course designed for high school students who are interested in a career in media & journalism. Students will experience a day in the life of a reporter. They are also taught how to network, pitch themselves to news editors & learn life skills like building resilience. Students will write a 60 second news update which



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is recorded as a TV & radio showreel the next day.

Journalism units for senior secondary students Jschool has opened two Diploma of Journalism units to senior secondary students - introductory journalism & teeline shorthand (speed writing) - in summer semester and in term time. They don't carry uni credit but give a skills edge to students planning tertiary study in media. Shorthand helps students in any field with speedy note taking. Currently 30% discount. www.jschool.com.au/singlesubjects

Be Bold - Make a Difference and Build Safer Communities with IPROWD The Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery Program (IPROWD) supports Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people to join the NSW Police Force or other Justice and Emergency Services Agencies. Your students can make a difference for themselves and their community with the IPROWD program. Find out how they can make a difference today! <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/iprowd>

SCHOLARSHIPS, EARLY ENTRY AND ALTERNATIVE PATHWAYS

Kenvale College - GET REAL EVENTS EXPERIENCE - Hospitality & Events If you have a student who has a real passion for Event Management then our Get Real Events Experience program is for you. This is a partial scholarship program for Year 11 students (started year 11 in 2019). Our 10 finalists will be working in an events environment for a week. Entries now close on Fri 6th Dec 2019 Nov <http://bit.ly/2018GREE> For more info contact us on study@kenvale.edu.au or 9314 6213 (Mon-Fri 9am-5pm).

Regional Benefits Program La Trobe's Regional Benefits Program empowers high achieving students from regional communities to live, study and thrive in regional Victoria. Students from a regional school who scored an ATAR of 80 and above are guaranteed entry into their chosen course at any regional campus and a scholarship of up to \$5,000 annually. More details at: <https://www.latrobe.edu.au/study/apply/pathways/regional>

Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors Scholarship The Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors (AIQS) offers scholarships for Year 12 students who qualify for entry into a Quantity Surveying, Construction Economics, Construction Management or other appropriate course at an AIQS accredited university in Australia. The total scholarship value equates to AU\$5,000 across the degree. For more information, please visit: <http://bit.ly/2k9C3KT>

WORK EXPERIENCE AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

Barista and RSA courses GET IN QUICK for Barista and RSA courses. For registration and more info, visit https://kenvale.jobreadyrto.com.au/apply_to_course/18885_33 Any questions, please contact us at enquiries@kenvale.edu.au / 02 9314 6213 (9am-5pm AEDT).



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RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

New LifeLauncher website to help your students navigate their careers Packed with interactive features and key information, LifeLauncher is here to help your students to plan, action and achieve their career goals. By using LifeLauncher your students can easily identify education, training and jobs that best match their future careers. In your next class, help your students to navigate their careers by introducing them to LifeLauncher at www.lifelauncher.nsw.gov.au

New website: SummerJobs.com.au SummerJobs.com.au is a new website for high school and uni students looking for Christmas casual jobs. SummerJobs.com.au puts them all in one place. It includes tips about when and how to get roles at specific companies (<https://summerjobs.com.au/companies/top>). It also has a really useful blog designed specifically for first-job seekers (<https://summerjobs.com.au/blog>)

Resources to alert students to surveying tertiary opportunities The NSW Surveying Taskforce offers the Get Kids into Survey posters to help STEM students make informed study decisions. This poster series demonstrates what surveyors and spatial specialists do. You can order additional free surveying career resources that outline the opportunities surveying offers. Visit alifewithoutlimits.com.au/career-advisors/ or email trysurveying@alifewithoutlimits.com.au.

Job Outlook is bigger, better and more feature packed than ever! Job Outlook (www.joboutlook.gov.au) is the Australian Government's online guide to careers and trends in the labour market. Job Outlook has useful information on more than 1000 occupations, including job tasks, required skills, future prospects, and pay. This is a free resource that includes the Careers Quiz and Skills Match so people can make decisions about job search, study or further training.

Apply to Uni 2020 Guide OUT NOW - get your copy Make it easy for your students to understand the university application process with the latest guide from Study Work Grow – find all the key dates, application steps, and adjustment factors in the one place. All Study Work Grow member schools can access 'Apply to Uni 2020' now – log in to your Careers Hub or check your email. Not a member? Email lucy@studyworkgrow.com.au for a copy.

Study Medicine free resource – What's your Plan B if you don't get into medicine? Universities are limiting the types of degrees that enable a subsequent move across to medicine, so it's important to fully consider your Plan B options to ensure you choose the right pathway degree. This FAQ and AMA guide helps students think through their medicine Plan A and also their Plan B options and can be found here <https://www.studymedicine.com.au/ama> Email: admin@studymedicine.com.au
Interested in studying psychology, counselling, social work, or criminology?
The Australian College of Applied Psychology has an open day.
<https://acap-marketing.cmail20.com/t/ViewEmail/r/63AA7E59BBE894932540EF23F30FEDED/55E49A106B7D5C06F351F20C80B74D5E>



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THIS WORKSHOP IS FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS IN YEARS 9-12

INSPIRING CAREERS IN HEALTH

INTENT

- To build school students' understanding of the health industry
- Increase awareness of career pathways
- Mentor young people to become "job ready"
- Promote opportunities to training and employment

VENUE: St Marys Memorial Hall

EVENT DATE: Monday 18th

November 2019

TIME: 9:30am-2:00pm

AGENDA OUTLINE:

9:30am - Registration

9:45am - Opening address

10:00am - Job readiness

10:30am - Morning tea

11:00am - Industry presentations

12:00pm - Speed career

networking

1:20pm - Stall visits and lunch

2:00pm - Wrap up



WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE DAY

- Industry delivered presentations
- Mentoring from industry representatives
- Speed career conversations
- Identification of career pathways
- Setting expectations for the future workforce
- Help students develop the skills they need to get a job

Careers advisors register here to secure tickets for your students:
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/inspiring-careers-in-health-tickets-73227963811>

If you would like to participate as a keynote speaker, industry representative or to host an information stall, please email Skye Weeks at skye.weeks@industry.nsw.gov.au



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FROM THE OFFICE

SCHOOL FEES REMINDER

Please be advised that unless alternative arrangements have been made with the Principal, the Business Manager or me, **2019 fees are now overdue.**

If you are having difficulties with the payment of your school fees, I encourage you to contact me to discuss payment options. Catholic Education Diocese, Parramatta, is committed to supporting families experiencing genuine financial hardship.

The School Fee Collection process has commenced on outstanding accounts without prior arrangements in place.

Withdrawal of a Student: A full terms notice (10 x school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal before a parent/guardian terminates the Student's enrolment. If sufficient notice of termination of the Student's enrolment is not given, the parent/guardian is to pay the School one term's school fees including any Diocesan Fees applicable. This amount reflects the School's financial loss associated with the Student's withdrawal without sufficient notice of termination. There is an exception to this policy when a family moves due to employment placement, a student gains full-time employment or commences an apprenticeship. One other exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during Term 4 in relation to the following year's enrolment.

Split Accounts: Please note that the College does not recognise 50/50 split of accounts. Enrolment signatories are joint and severally responsible for payment of fees. This means that both enrolment signatories are equally responsible for the payment of 100% of the total amount owing on the school fees account and not a proportion of it. If you have any questions regarding this, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sibling Discounts: Reconciliations to external sibling discounts are regularly conducted by CEDP. If your circumstances change regarding sibling discounts, please notify me immediately. Failure to do so could result in an increase in fees throughout the year and your current payment arrangement may not cover the balance of your account.

If you need to discuss any issues regarding the school fees, please contact me by phone on 4754 8902 or by email rvion@parra.catholic.edu.au

School fees can be paid by Bpay, Postbillpay, cash, Direct Debit, EFTPOS, credit card or cheque.

Roselee Vion
Senior Officer – Finance and Fees



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UNIFORM SHOP

As per previous correspondence re: Uniform for Year 10,11 and 12 - 2020.

As of 2020 Year 10, 11 and 12 students will be wearing white shirts as their uniform. Please return completed form with payment to the payment box at the Student Office, drop into the Uniform Shop on Tuesday or email order to stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au



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Senior Shirt Order Form Year 10 and 11 - 2020

	QTY	ITEM	SIZE	COST
BOYS - Summer		Shirt Short Sleeve Senior (white)		\$40.00
BOYS - Winter		Shirt Long Sleeve Senior (white)		\$40.00
		Senior Tie – New Style		\$25.00
GIRLS		Blouse Short Sleeve Senior (white)		\$48.00
TOTAL				\$

Student's Name: _____ **Homeroom:** _____

Email Address: _____

Payment Options:

- Cash:** Enclosed is \$_____ (*Exact amount only please*)
- Cheque:** (payable to St Columba's Catholic College)
- Credit Card:** VISA Mastercard

Please charge \$_____ to credit card

Card Number: □□□□ □□□□ □□□□ □□□□

Name on Card: _____ Expiry Date: □□/□□

Signature: _____

Please return completed order form to the Student Office Payment Box or
Email to: stcolumbasuniformshop@parra.catholic.edu.au
by Thursday 29th November, 2019

Year 7 2020 a reminder that Layby payments need to be finalised by 28th November.



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FROM THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA

Bishop Office

Positions Vacant:

- Parish Coordinator of Ministries (part-time) - Parish of Richmond
- Volunteers – Mamre Creche - CatholicCare
- Manager of Family Relationship Services - CatholicCare

More details at: parracatholic.org/employment

- Mission Coordinator (Part-time) - Sisters of Mercy Parramatta

For more details, please contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055.

- Parish Renewal Team Leader (Full-time) - Archdiocese of Sydney

For more details, please visit catholicjobsonline.com.au

CYP LIFTED Live in the Forecourt: 26 October

Join Catholic Youth Parramatta, Bishop Vincent and over 1000 other youth and young adults as they celebrate the feast of St John Paul II during LIFTED Live in Forecourt at the St Patrick's Cathedral Precinct on Saturday 26 October from 7-10pm. There will be live music, food stalls, rides and entertainment. \$5 entry on arrival. For more information, visit <https://parracatholic.org/liftedlive/>

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Plenary Council 2020

The parents, senior students and school staff of St Columba's Catholic College are encouraged and are most welcome to attend the **Blue Mountains Catholic Community Forum** as part of the **Plenary 2020** process.

This forum is not a repeat of the forums we had last year and early this year, but this is a part of the second phase, the listening and discernment phase. We will be using a traditional discernment process in small groups. At the forum we will be considering and discerning the most common responses that made up a large part of the 18,000 responses to the first phase. The object of this forum is to hand on our results to the Plenary Council. Participants will have some choice as to which themes they can reflect upon. The Plenary Council has divided the findings into six overarching themes.

Missionary and Evangelising
Inclusive Participatory and Synodal
Prayerful and Eucharistic
Humble Healing and Merciful
A joyful, hope-filled Servant Community
Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform

The members of the Catholic school community are considered by the Blue Mountains Deanery as key members of the local Catholic community. Therefore, their participation in the discernment process is vital to the future of the Catholic Church reforms in Australia and especially in our diocese.

Our forum will be held on

Sunday 24th November at 2pm at St Thomas School Hall Springwood



"Many lay people are freed and invigorated when they feel we clerics are genuinely listening and are inviting them to participate in an adult way. They love their church and want to be involved and have their say. They have theological and pastoral insights that don't occur to us, the clerics" *Fr Noel Connelly*

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